

**ANNOTATED AGENDA
FY2005 WEED AND SEED APPLICATION KIT AND TRAINING WORKSHOP
March 21-24, 2005**

Monday, March 21, 2005

Pre-Conference Sessions

7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Registration and Information

Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Site Coordinator's Training (Pre-Registration and Approval Required)

Learning Center
Ballroom Level

Facilitator: Faith Baker, CCDO Supervisory Program Manager
Presenters: Oswaldo Mestre
 Lorraine Black
 Tiffany Young
 Michael Kozu
 Jacob Brace

Noon – 1:00 p.m. Lunch on your own

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Learning Labs (Pre-Registration Required)

Hanover AB, Exhibit Level

Drugs in America: A National Overview and Trends

Learn how communities can work cooperatively with the DEA and other drug demand reduction resources to enhance prevention and intervention initiatives. The current drug situation in the United States will be covered, including information regarding the manufacture, distribution and sales of narcotics, trafficking routes, and safety concerns related to narcotics interdiction. This learning lab will enable attendees to have a better understanding of drugs that affect their areas of interest and enforcement efforts that are being employed to deal with these issues.

Presenters: Angie Hammond, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys
 Deborah Augustine, Victim Witness Specialist, DEA

Centennial IV, Ballroom Level

Steering Committee Development and Management

This learning lab will focus on the purpose and role of the Steering Committee, decision-making skills, selecting a site coordinator, selecting a fiscal agent, role of the fiscal agent, running effective meetings, and conflict resolution skills.

Moderator: Tiffaney Hall, ILJ
Presenters: Valencia Coar, Consultant, Farrar Group, Inc.
 Wayne Rawlins, National Community Justice Consultant

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Centennial II, Ballroom Level

Community Engagement Using Resident Leadership

Identify tools and techniques to engage communities and sustain their involvement in the Weed and Seed and community improvement efforts, with an emphasis on community residents. It is important to involve residents early in the Weed and Seed planning, and provides substantial program authority, thereby building their trust.

Moderator: Chera Baity, ILJ

Presenters: Olgen Williams, Executive Director, Christamore House, IN
 Monica Palacio, National Crime Prevention Council

Centennial I, Ballroom Level

Effective Law Enforcement Strategies

Law enforcement and community policing strategies require multi-level coordination and cooperation between jurisdictions and among local, county, state, and federal law enforcement agencies. Key principles of design and implementation of effective weeding strategies from experienced sites will be discussed.

Moderator: Michael Connor, CCDO Program Manager

Presenters: Lt. Mike Washburn, Seattle Police Department
 Major Rodney Smith, Ocala Florida Police Department

Hanover FG, Exhibit Level

Community Dispute Resolution

Helping out Weed and seed neighborhoods to resolve problems constructively, without violence, is one of the most critical elements in creating safer, healthier, and more sustainable communities of the future. This learning lab will focus on understanding the nature of conflict and how people respond to it. It will be an inter-active training utilizing Weed and Seed examples and situations to build participant's communication and problem-solving skills. Attendees will learn how to access dispute resolution resources locally and nationally.

Presenters: Kathleen Severens, JD, CCDO Policy Advisor
 Debora Brownyard, JD, Nebraska Justice Center

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Community Asset Building

Centennial III, Ballroom Level

VITA Centers (2 hours)

This session will focus on the CCDO partnership with the IRS to launch Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Centers in 50 Weed and Seed sites in FY 2005. VITA centers offer free tax help to people whose incomes are \$35,000 or less, many of whom are eligible for untapped Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) and Child Care Tax Credits. The IRS will provide training, software, and technical assistance to Weed and Seed sites to recruit and train volunteers to operate a VITA center in their Safe Haven. Site may apply for up to \$10,000 to cover computer equipment, supplies and internet access costs to open or expand the number of sites serving Weed and Seed residents. Instructions on the application process will be included in this session.

Moderator: Colleen Copple, CCDO Contractor

Presenters: Kenneth Thompson, Management & Program Analyst, IRS
Michael McBride, Chief Education Institution and Government Partnerships, IRS

Centennial III, Ballroom Level

FDIC Money Smart (2 hours)

This session will focus on the FDIC/Money Smart program, a training program to help adults outside the financial mainstream enhance their money skills. There are 10 Money Smart modules that address credit, home ownership, consumer rights, loans, and other issues. This partnership will allow Weed and Seed sites to bring financial education to their communities. Sites that have VITA Centers and offer financial literacy will be eligible to apply for an additional \$50,000 (10 grants to be made available in FY 2005) to support the development of Individual Development Accounts (IDAs).

Moderator: Sonia Klukas CCDO Partnership Officer

Presenter: Tom Stokes, FDIC

Hanover C, Exhibit Level

Gathering of Weed and Seed Sites with Tribal Efforts

The purpose of this extended session is to: a) to meet the W&S sites with tribal communities, b) gather input to develop a "tribal track" at the August 2005 CCDO National Conference. This session will be a facilitated session with introductions of the Weed and Seed sites, brief TA introductions followed by a facilitated discussion. An invitation is extended to Indian tribal government representatives who are partners with Weed and Seed sites.

Presenters: Norena Henry, American Indian & Alaska Native Affairs Desk
Ada Melton, American Indian Development Associates

2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Break

Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level and Hanover Corridor, Exhibit Level

3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. CCDO External Working Group Follow-Up Meeting (invitation only)
Executive Conference Room #222

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9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Opening Ceremonies and Welcoming Remarks

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Invocation

Rev. W. L. Cottrell, Senior Pastor, Beulah Baptist Church and
Concerned Black Clergy

Presentation of Colors

Atlanta Police Department

National Anthem

LaKeisha Lattimore

City of Atlanta Presentation

Introduction of Dignitaries

Paul Howard, Fulton County District Attorney

Welcoming Remarks

Dave Nahmias, U.S. Attorney of the Northern District of Georgia
Mayor Shirley Franklin, City of Atlanta
Chief Richard Pennington, Atlanta Police Department

10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Opening Plenary Session

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Nelson Hernandez, Director CCDO

Tracy A. Henke, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice
Programs

Mark H. Everson, Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service

Signing of the IRS-CCDO Partnership Agreement

10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Break

Centennial Foyer, Ballroom Level

11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. Plenary Session: Program Narrative Module

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Presenters: Kathleen Severens, JD, CCDO Policy Advisor
Carol Neylan, CCDO Program Manager

12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Working Lunch

Regency VI & VII,
Ballroom Level

Invocation: Minister Ronnie Galvin, Ariel Bowen United Methodist Church
Speaker Introduction: Cheryl Holmes, Senior Manager, NCCED
Speaker: Walter Ridley, Consultant, Ft. Washington Maryland
Faith-Based and Reentry Initiatives

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1:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Plenary Session: Application Budget Guidance Model

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Presenters: Erin Holbert, CCDO Program Manager
 Michael Williams, Office of the Comptroller

2:45 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Break

Centennial Foyer, Ballroom Level and Hanover Corridor, Exhibit Level

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions

Learning Center,
Ballroom Level

Gun Law Enforcement

This initiative seeks to reduce crime and violence involving guns in Weed and Seed sites and is designed to complement DOJ's initiative for gun law enforcement, Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN). Programs in this area include: 1) seizing illegal weapons; and 2) educating residents about gun crime and violence. The program provides police officers in designated areas to focus exclusively on the seizure of illegal firearms.

Moderator: Michael Connor, CCDO Program Manager
Presenter: Dan Drake, LECC, U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District
 Georgia

Hanover A, Exhibit Level

Justice Innovations/Victims Services

Learn how to develop and implement community oriented criminal justice programming to address the rights, safety, and healing of victims. Community justice encompasses innovative models for criminal justice that are problem-solving in their approach. Justice initiatives include such models as: Community Corrections, Community Court, Community Prosecution, Alternative Sentencing for Juveniles, Teen Court, Drug Court, Neighborhood Public Safety Law, and Mental Health Court. Victims services strategies include, victims' compensation, costs, and rights; family violence; hate and bias-related violence; special needs of child and elderly victims; mental health services for crime victims; victims of juvenile offenders; and legal remedies.

Moderator: Angie Hammond, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys
Presenters: Deborah Augustine, Victim Witness Specialist, DEA
 Jan Jones, Victim Witness Coordinator, U.S. Attorney's Office,
 Northern District Georgia

Hanover B, Exhibit Level

Faith-based Initiatives

Initiatives in this area include a wide variety of faith-based activities. Participants will learn about innovative ways that faith-based organizations are getting engaged in addressing community issues. Resources to support the capacity building and development of these partnerships will be shared.

Moderator: Alex Schneider, CCDO Contractor
Presenters: Tommy Stewart, Director, Dayton NW Weed and Seed Initiative
 Omar Vargas, Associate Deputy Director & Counsel, Office of
 the Deputy Attorney General, Task Force for Faith-
 Based and Community Initiatives, U.S. Department of
 Justice
 Judy Bennett, Director/Site Coordinator, Community Agencies of
 NJ
 Olgen Williams, Christamore House

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Centennial II, Ballroom Level

Anti-Gang Crime Initiatives

This initiative encourages sites to use both law enforcement and prevention techniques to counter gang-related violent crime. Prevention approaches should be planned as part of a comprehensive approach; should focus on dealing with gang members as individuals; and can include school-based and community-based programs, such as programs for dealing with suspended students. Law enforcement approaches should emphasize coordination among federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to target and remove gang-related violent offenders and drug traffickers.

Moderator: Fred Filberg, CCDO Program Manager
Presenter: Phelan Wyrick, OJJDP Gang Program Coordinator

Hanover G, Exhibit Level

Anti-Drug/Alcohol Abuse Strategies

Initiatives in this category can include any element of drug and/or alcohol demand reduction, law enforcement, testing, or treatment. Examples include: drug market analysis; enforcement focusing on “hot spots” such as nuisance bars; drug testing part of pretrial supervision; frequent, random drug testing for probationers and parolees; drug prosecution; drug/alcohol treatment.

Moderator: Cory Randolph, CCDO Program Manager
Presenter: Greg Long, Lions Clubs International Foundation

Chicago ABC, Exhibit Level

Innovative Justice: Intensive Surveillance Officer Program – Restorative Justice

A component of the City of Atlanta's Weed and Seed, the intensive Surveillance Officer program provides intensive intervention services to children who are adjudicated delinquent. Probationers' needs are addressed in a holistic manner in an effort to reduce the likelihood of them returning to the court system. This initiative offers new opportunities for youth facing quality of life challenges. Partners include Fulton County Juvenile Court, State of Georgia and the City of Atlanta.

Moderator: Karen Rogers, Mayor's Office of Weed and Seed
Presenters: Chebito Swain, Intensive Surveillance Officer
Jamilla Canady, Spelman College
Jewell W. Morris, Deputy Chief Probation Officer Fulton County Juvenile Court

Centennial III, Ballroom Level

Reentry and Job Training Programs

A major issue today is how to address high-risk serious offenders returning to their communities. Funding is used to develop, implement, enhance, and evaluate reentry strategies that will ensure the safety of the community and reduce serious, violent crime and recidivism. This session will focus on job training and placement issues.

Moderator: Wayne Rawlins, National Community Justice Consultant
Presenters: Christopher Fay, Director, Delaney Street Replication Project
Louis Napoleon, Transition Facilitator/Trainer,
Omaha Con-nections

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Hanover C, Exhibit Level

Local Evaluation and Programs That Work

Evaluation is an important tool for program assessment and fine-tuning. The documentation of program successes in an evaluation can also help a site to attract additional resources. The evaluation should examine the impact of Weed and Seed activities in the designated area.

Moderator: Jim Zepp, Justice Research and Statistics Association
Presenters: Steven Edwards, BJA
 Terrence Donahue, Associate Director, CCDO

Hanover F, Exhibit Level

Keep Students in School (KSIS) – Truancy Prevention

An interagency collaboration between the Office of the Mayor, Atlanta Public Schools, Fulton County District Attorney, Atlanta Police Department and Communities in Schools aimed to reduce absenteeism and truancy rates at Atlanta Weed and Seed community-based schools.

Moderator: Nina Hunt, Deputy U. S. Attorney Northern District of Georgia
Presenters: Tangee Allen, Atlanta Mayor's Office of Weed & Seed
 Maurice Mitchell, Atlanta Public Schools
 Lynn Armstrong, Fulton County District Attorney

Hanover D, Exhibit Level

Launching a Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Center (VITA) in a Weed and Seed Site

The Community Capacity Development office (CCDO) has partnered with the IRS to establish VITA centers in Weed and Seed Safe Havens and to bring free tax services to families, increase their disposable income and assist them in meeting their tax obligations and claiming eligible tax credits. This session will provide information on how to partner with your local IRS resource in your community and how to launch a VITA center in your Weed and Seed site. The City of Phoenix is one of three pilot sites selected this year to launch VITA Centers in their Weed and Seed site and they are in their second year of coordinating a city wide Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC) Initiative.

Moderator: Colleen Copple, CCDO Consultant
Presenter: Roberto Friez, Weed and Seed Coordinator, Phoenix, AZ

Hanover E, Exhibit Level

Innovative Prevention Programming

Providing constructive and engrossing activities to keep youth on the right path, introduce them to options previously unknown to them, and, as a result, prevent future criminal involvement. Programs in this category can combine creative activities, skills training, and arts career awareness.

Moderator: Lisa Huff-Galloway, CCDO
Presenters: Debra Scales, NW Dayton Weed and Seed, Dayton, OH
 Charles Perry, National Center for Neighborhood Enterprise
 Jonnie M. Hawkins, Consultant, National Center for
 Neighborhood Enterprise

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Centennial IV, Ballroom Level

Neighborhood Restoration

This initiative seeks to assist Weed and Seed communities to find viable avenues to help “fix broken windows” and ensure sustainable Weed and Seed activities for the long term. Community clean-ups, strategic planning for neighborhood economic development, facilitating partnerships and organizational restructuring, small business retention, small business development training and start-up projects, job preparedness and job skills training activities are fully coordinated with the Weed and Seed strategy.

Moderator: Ivette Estrada, CCDO Program Manager

Presenter: Valencia Coar, Consultant, Farrar Group, Inc.

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Hanover A, Exhibit Level

LECC Meeting

Moderator: Angie Hammond, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Hanover B, Exhibit Level

Faith-based Round Table (invitation only)

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Regency VI & VII, Ballroom Level

Welcome and Networking Reception

6:15 p.m.

Regency VI & VII,
Ballroom Level

Signing of the FDIC-CCDO Partnership Agreement

Nelson Hernandez, Director, CCDO

Tracy A. Henke, Acting Assistant Attorney General, Office of Justice Programs

Lee Bowman, National Coordinator, Community Affairs Program, FDIC

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8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Plenary Session: GPRA Reporting Requirements and Weed and Seed Data Center

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Presenters: Matt Perkins, Project Manager,
 Justice Research and Statistics Association
 Jason Trask, Justice Research and Statistics Association

9:15 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Plenary Session: Reporting Requirements Module

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Presenters: Michael Williams, Office of the Comptroller
 Erin Holbert, CCDO Program Manager

10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Break

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10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Plenary Session: Site Development Module

Centennial I, II & III,
Ballroom Level

Presenter: Sharron Fletcher, CCDO Program Manager

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Breakout Sessions: Program Managers Meetings

Hanover D, Exhibit Level

Joyce Bradford – NY
Kathryn Kohn – CA, OR
Faith Baker – DC, WY

Hanover C, Exhibit Level

Michael Connor
AK, CT, DE, IA, LA, ND, SD, UT, WI, WV

Hanover A, Exhibit Level

Frederick Filberg
KS, OK, TX

Centennial IV, Ballroom Level

Ivette Estrada - CO, MT, NE, NM, OH, PR
Sharron Fletcher - AL, GA, HI, KY, ME, NH, RI, SC, TN

Hanover B, Exhibit Level

Carol Neylan
AZ, NJ, PA

Hanover F, Exhibit Level

Cory Randolph – IL, MD, MS, VA
Geroma Void - MI, MN, NC

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Hanover E, Exhibit Level Kevin Turnau – FL, IN
Erin Holbert – ID, VI

Hanover G, Exhibit Level Lesley Walker - AR, MA, MO, NV, WA
Cheryl Driscoll, CCDO Contractor

12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. Working Lunch

Regency VI & VII,
Ballroom Level **Announce Winner of National Conference Theme Contest**

Invocation: Rev. Dexter Johnson, Senior Pastor, Mt. Gilead
Baptist Church

Partnership Panel Session:
The Mechanicsville Community Learning Collaborative: A
Different Approach to School and Community Growth

Moderator: Clara Axam, Project Director
Panelists: Corliss Randall-Davenport, Principal, Dunbar Elementary School
Barney Sims, Sr. Vice President, Atlanta Housing Authority
David Scott, Principal, DKS Program Management
Colleen Nettles, Parent Liaison and Resident,
Dunbar Elementary School
Sharon Collins, President, Mechanicsville Civic Association

1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Breakout Sessions

Hanover F, Exhibit Level **Racial and Ethnic Profiling – Addressing Reality and Perception**

The United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Georgia, in partnership with the Prosecuting Attorneys' Council of Georgia, has led the country in training of law enforcement officers on this difficult but crucial topic. This audience-interactive class presents information concerning nationwide allegations of illegal racial/ethnic profiling by law enforcement and the available statistical data in support of those allegations. The purpose of the class is to raise the level of awareness in law enforcement officers, and to suggest ways to reduce any public perception of the practice.

Moderator: Lesley Walker, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Thomas W. Hayes, Dir., Drug Prosecutions Div., Prosecuting
Attorneys' Council of Georgia
Didi Nelson, LECC Manager, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern
District of Georgia

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Hanover C, Exhibit Level

FDIC Money Smart

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Moderator: Colleen Copple, CCDO Consultant
Presenter: Tom Stokes, FDIC Community Affairs

Hanover G, Exhibit Level

Anti-Gang Crime Initiatives

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Moderator: Cory Randolph, CCDO Program Manager
Presenter: Phelan Wyrick, OJJDP Gang Program Coordinator

Learning Center,
Ballroom Level

Computer Learning Centers

The objective of this initiative is to bridge the technological competence and employability for residents of Weed and Seed sites. Funds may be used to acquire computer hardware and software for use in teaching literacy, prepare for GEDs, prepare for jobs where computers are used or programmed or repaired, develop a Web site, and network with schools, community services, government organizations and other local organizations.

Moderator: Joyce Bradford, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Pat Bransford, National Urban Technologies Center
Tom Bransford, National Urban Technologies Center

Centennial II, Ballroom Level

Youth Development Programs (DEFY)

This session will include techniques for operating or enhancing Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) leadership camps. DEFY is a unique, comprehensive, and multi-phased 1-year program that strengthens protective factors and reduces risk factors that scientific research has directly linked to adolescent alcohol and drug abuse, school failure, delinquency, and violence.

Presenters: Carol Neylan, CCDO Program Manager
Timm Bentley, DEFY Program Manager, U.S. Navy
Milton Cambridge, Air Force Drug Prevention
Donna Griffin, Weed and Seed Coordinator, Philadelphia Weed and Seed

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Centennial III, Ballroom Level

Reentry and Support Services Programs

A major issue today is how to address high-risk serious offenders returning to their communities. Funding is used to develop, implement, enhance, and evaluate reentry strategies that will ensure the safety of the community and reduce serious, violent crime and recidivism. This session will focus on support services for activities such as life skills training, family counseling, health care, and housing.

Moderator: Kathleen Severens, JD, CCDO Policy Advisor
Presenters: Alexa Eggleston, Deputy Director of National Policy, Legal Action Center
Solangel Rodriguez, Family Life Center
Margaret diZerega, Community Safety Initiative, Local Initiatives Support Corporation

Centennial IV, Ballroom Level

Youth Leadership: Mobilizing Youth to Become Involved in Weed and Seed Strategies

This presentation will address how to get and keep youth involved in resource, volunteer, and message development. Participants will walk away from this workshop with tools to launch resource development, volunteer management, and public relations plans.

Moderator: Patrick Wells, CCDO Contractor
Presenters: Charles Perry, National Center of Neighborhood Enterprise
Jonnie M. Hawkins, Consultant, National Center of Neighborhood Enterprise

Hanover A, Exhibit Level

Conflict Resolution

This initiative focuses on teaching both youths and adults the skills to settle disputes peacefully and provide mediation and problem-solving services for area residents. Initiatives to be funded should teach ways to constructively work through differences and to design mechanisms to resolve both personal and group problems. Programs can be coordinated with schools, youth serving organizations, community mediations centers, law enforcement and others.

Moderator: Lisa-Huff Gallaway, CCDO
Presenter: Greg Long, Lions Clubs International Foundation

Hanover B, Exhibit Level

Community Coalition Institute Training

This workshop will address the issues and steps required to involve the community in planning a response to substance abuse issues. Topic areas to be covered include: defining community action and intervention, developing an action plan, steps to promoting collaboration in the community, building cultural competence, and developing an intervention.

Moderator: Kathryn Kohn, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Claudia Killigrew, Program Manager, Community Anti-Drug Coalition of America (CADCA)
Kareemah Abdullah, CADCA

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Hanover D, Exhibit Level

Improving Police Community Relations

Community policing is the bridge that links a strong enforcement strategy with proactive prevention, intervention, and treatment strategies. There is often tension, fear, and anger in police-community relations in high crime neighborhoods. Learn how to develop trust, overcome damaged relationships, and build effective community partnerships through Weed and Seed.

Moderator: Kevin Turnau, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Lt. Mike Washburn, Seattle Police Department
Major Rodney Smith, Ocala Florida Police Department

Hanover E, Exhibit Level

What You Need to Know About Local Evaluations?

A part of good program management is performance assessment from an independent source. Evaluation studies can also provide important information for future site strategy planning and documentation for approaching possible funding sources. A successful evaluation effort, however, requires careful planning, preparation, and good communications between the site staff and the evaluator. This session will discuss options and resources for local sites interested in having an evaluation done.

Moderator: Terrence Donahue, Associate Director, CCDO
Presenters: Sylvia Oberle, Executive Director, Center for Community Safety
Steven Edwards, Bureau of Justice Assistance

Chicago ABC, Exhibit Level

Working Effectively With Native American Weed and Seed Sites

This panel session will focus on relationships and use the Omaha and Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska and the Greater Thurston County Weed and Seed Initiative as a case study. When an Indian tribe or tribal community is involved or is the Weed and Seed site, several levels of relationships exist to implement the Weed and Seed Strategy. The levels of relationship consist of Federal-Tribal, State-Tribal, Non-profit – Tribal, Inter Tribal (Tribal-Tribal) and internal tribal relations. The objective is to share information on the current site activities and work with the tribes as it relates to the four components of the Weed and Seed Strategy, identify gaps and the response by NJC to address the matters. This discussion will be interactive with participation by the audience to share questions and ideas.

Moderators: Norena Henry, American Indian & Alaska Native Affairs Desk
Ada Melton, American Indian Development Associates
Presenters: Valita "Mioux" Stabler, Site Coordinator of the Omaha and Winnebago Tribes of Nebraska
Joe Jeanette, LECC, USAO-DNE
Eleanor Baxter, Tribal Council Member, Omaha Tribe
Deb Deragon, Administrator, Winnebago Police Department

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Break

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Hanover A, Exhibit Level

Housing and Reentry

This session will focus on the issues that communities are currently facing with housing of ex-offenders and how they respond to this challenge. Participants will learn of successful strategies to address this escalating issue. In addition, representatives from the National Congress for Community Economic Development (NCCED) will discuss the Reentry Forums taking place across the country for Weed and Seed sites.

Moderator: Cheryl Holmes, Senior Manager, NCCED

Presenter: Jeanne Tedrow, Passage Home

Hanover C, Exhibit Level

Effective Economic Development Initiatives

As sites move to implement their neighborhood revitalization plans, certain development issues require particular focus and clarity. Learn about effective economic development strategies, tools to assist in implementation, and resources that sites can tap into to support their efforts.

Moderator: Ivette Estrada, CCDO Program Manager

Presenters: Pearl Kaplan, International Economic Development Council
Joy Wilkins, Manager, Community Innovation Services,
Economic Development Institute

Centennial II, Ballroom Level

Addressing Crime in Public and Federally Assisted Low-Income Housing

Atlanta Weed and Seed was awarded funding from the HUD Crime and Violence in Public and Federally Assisted Housing Properties Grant to aid in their efforts to reduce drug activity on federal assisted properties. With the help of the Pittsburgh Civic League, Atlanta Police Department, City of Atlanta's Code Enforcement Department and the Casey Foundation, the partnership was successful in assisting Civic League residents in community organizing and a redevelopment plan for the property.

Moderator: Karen Rogers, Mayor's Office of Weed and Seed

Presenters: Ronnie Galvin, Ariel Bowen United Methodist Church
Lt. Steven Sheffield, Atlanta Police Department
LaShawn Hoffman, Pittsburgh Community Improvement
Association
Nina Hunt, Deputy U.S. Attorney, Northern District of Georgia

Hanover B, Exhibit Level

Effective Partnership Development (ONDCP)

The Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) is engaged in major strategic prevention strategies. Participants will learn about ONDCP's 25- City Initiative and the Drug-Free Communities Grants program. ONDCP administers the community anti-drug program in conjunction with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. This session is designed to support community-based planning, implementation, and evaluation of prevention initiatives to achieve measurable outcomes.

Moderator: Colleen Copple, CCDO Contractor

Presenter: Nataki MacMurray, ONDCP

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Institutionalizing Your Steering Committee

This session will focus on the purpose and role of the Steering Committee, decision making skills, selecting a site coordinator, selecting a fiscal agent, the role of the fiscal agent, running effective meetings and conflict resolution skills.

Moderator: Joyce Bradford, CCDO Program Manager
Presenter: Michelle Duhart, Consultant

Centennial III, Ballroom Level

Building the Economic Capacity of Individuals, Families and Communities

Assets are a key component in moving people and communities to stability and self-sufficiency. There are emerging visions about how to address poverty by connecting diverse resources and strategies aimed at asset building, including homeownership, workforce preparation, and micro-business. Learn how communities can creatively combine efforts across a range of strategies dedicated to community development to overcome these issues.

Moderator: Fred Filberg, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Alyson Parham, President, Partec Consulting Group
 Jeff Osanka, Consultant, Office of Community Services, HHS

Hanover E, Exhibit Level

Neighborhood Restoration Initiatives

This session will offer tools for implementing a successful neighborhood restoration strategy. There are a variety of approaches that can be funded in this area, for example: community clean-ups; strategic planning for neighborhood economic development; facilitating partnerships and organizational restructuring; small business retention; small business development training and start-up projects; and job preparedness and job skills training.

Moderator: Kathryn Kohn, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Pat Gilbert, Managing Director, Opinion Research Service
 Publishing
 Sylvia Oberle, Executive Director, Center for Community Safety

Centennial IV, Ballroom Level

Building Resident and Community Leadership in Weed and Seed Sites

This session will identify tools and techniques to engage communities and sustain their involvement in Weed and Seed and community improvement efforts, with an emphasis on Weed and Seed residents. It will focus on the importance of involving residents early in Weed and Seed planning, providing residents with substantial program authority, and building their trust.

Moderator: Lesley Walker, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Olgen Williams, Executive Director, Christamore House, IN
 Peg Kowalski, Consultant

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Implementing Effective Seeding Strategies

This session will include techniques for operating or enhancing Drug Education for Youth (DEFY) leadership camps. DEFY is a unique, comprehensive, and multi-phased 1-year program that strengthens protective factors and reduces risk factors that scientific research has directly linked to adolescent alcohol and drug abuse, school failure, delinquency, and violence. In addition, strategies for implementing a Police Athletic League (PAL) Program will be discussed.

Moderator: Carol Neylan, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Major Melvin Douglas, PAL Director, East Point Police Dept.
Donna Schulz, U.S. Attorney's Office, Tampa, FL

Learning Center,
Ballroom Level

Technology Resources

Participants will learn to utilize the Interactive Training Manual (ITM). The ITM will replace the site coordinators training in the future. It's important that Weed and Seed sites understand how to use this tool.

Moderator: Kevin Turnau, CCDO Program Manager
Presenters: Pat Bransford, National Urban Technologies Center
Tom Bransford, National Urban Technologies Center

Hanover G, Exhibit Level

Building Community Capacity to Use Data for Neighborhood Change

Residents of Atlanta's Neighborhood Planning Unit (NPU-V) came together to talk about improving the health, safety, education and other conditions in their neighborhoods. The result was that residents, service providers, neighborhood leaders, and community partners formed the Neighborhood Data Advisory Group. This group worked with members of Annie E. Casey Foundation to compile data at the neighborhood level about current conditions. *Neighborhoods Count: A Look at NPU-V 2004* is the product of this effort and will help neighborhoods identify priorities and develop strategies to address them.

Moderator: Alex Schneider, CCDO Contractor
Presenters: Renee Giles, Mechanicsville Resident
Wendy Scruggs Murray, NPU Coordinator, City of Atlanta
Bureau of Planning
Peggy Harper

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Challenges to Community Development in Tribal Communities

This session will focus on community development in tribal communities. The legal and economic infrastructures of tribal governments will be explored. Relationships between Federal-Tribal (i.e. CCDO-Tribal), Federal-non-profit (i.e. CCDO – W&S sites), and Federal agency-Federal agency (i.e. DOJ-USDA) are very important. Representatives from federal agencies, participating tribal government representatives, and Indian country experts will engage in a facilitated panel session that will share information on the current state of Indian country in community development, identify gaps and challenges and make recommendations on how best to approach these matters in the community restoration component of the Weed and Seed strategy.

Moderators: Norena Henry, CCDO American Indian & Alaska Native Affairs Officer

Presenters: Ada Melton, American Indian Development Associates
Jeff Tomhave, Tomhave Group
Jim Cason, Acting Secretary to Indian Affairs, U.S. Dept. of the Interior (invited)
Stewart Sarkozy-Banoczy, Director of Training and TA, Native Financial Education Coalition
Bill Davis, USDA Rural Development

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7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast

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8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Exhibits Open

Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Specialty Workshop

Hanover CD, Exhibit Level

DEFY Workshop

This session is required for all sites planning to operate a DEFY camp. The session will include a review of the new requirements and the DEFY manual. DEFY is a preemptive prevention program and a catalyst for increasing community participation and commitment to youth. DEFY works with 9- to 12-year-olds and helps them develop character, leadership, and confidence to engage in positive, healthy lifestyles as drug-free citizens. DEFY is a unique, comprehensive, and multi-phased 1-year program that strengthens protective factors and reduces risk factors that scientific research has directly linked to adolescent alcohol and drug abuse, school failure, delinquency, and violence.

Presenters: Carol Neylan, CCDO Program Manager
Timm Bentley, DEFY Program Manager, U.S. Navy
LTJG Paul Noel, Public Affairs Office, U.S. Navy
Donna Griffin, Weed and Seed Coordinator, Philadelphia Weed and Seed
Donna Schulz, U.S. Attorneys Office, Tampa, FL
Will Daniels, U.S. Attorneys Office, Tampa, FL
Charles Moses, Office of Legal Council, OJP
Pam Lightsey, U.S. Attorneys Office, Middle District of Georgia
Christopher Valdez, The Youth Corps of America, Inc.

8:30 a.m. – Noon

Centennial I, Ballroom Level

Connecting the Dots: Concepts for Successful Grant Writing Workshop

This session will provide an overview of programs with the Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) and the training & technical resources available through the regional Centers for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPTs) and will provide information on the core principles that drive funding priorities within many federal agencies, including the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The workshop will cover the following topics as key components to completing a successful grant application: needs assessment, mobilizing capacity, program planning, implementing evidence based programs, and basic components of evaluation design.

Moderator: Colleen Coppel, CCDO Contractor
Presenters: Marie Cox, SW CAPT
Carlos Pavao, N CAPT
Jack Wilson, W CAPT
Tracy Johnson, Central CAPT
Marcu Bouligny, SE CAPT

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8:30 a.m. – Noon

Specialty Workshops

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Planning for Sustainability Workshop

Weed and Seed funding is intended to be “seed” funding to help sites develop effective, comprehensive, integrated strategies to reduce crime. Sites need to build sustainability into their operations early on, both in terms of resources and commitment to the long-term strategies being implemented. Learn how to plan for sustainability using other local resources.

Moderator: Chera Baity, ILJ

Presenters: Alyson Parham, President, Partec Consulting Group
Cheryl Driscoll, CCDO Contractor

Centennial II, Ballroom Level

New Site Workshop: Moving From Planning to Implementation

This session will focus on helping new sites move from planning to successful implementation. It will begin with clarifying roles, responsibilities, timelines, enforcement of MOUs, understanding requirements for achieving recommended yearly benchmarks, and effective community mobilization strategies.

Moderator: Tiffaney Hall, ILJ

Presenters: Patricia Gilbert, Managing Director, Opinion Research Service
Publishing
Peg Kowalski, Consultant

Centennial IV, Ballroom Level

USAO and CCDO Staff Workshop

Suggested topics for this workshop will include discussion of roles and responsibilities of USAO and the partnership with CCDO. Review of the approved use of the U.S. Attorney's Fund, and additional positions for districts with multiple sites. Team building approaches for Weed and Seed sites will also be discussed.

Facilitators: Denise Viera, CCDO Deputy Director
Angie Hammond, Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys

Learning Center,
Ballroom Level

Reporting on the GPRA Workshop

Representatives of JRSA will be on hand to provide assistance in how to correctly and completely fill out the GPRA form. JRSA will take questions from participants, discuss common errors in the reporting process and discuss tips to ease data collection for filling out these required annual reports.

Moderator: Alex Schneider, CCDO Contractor

Presenters: Matthew Perkins, Project Manager, Justice Research and
Statistics Association (JRSA)
Jim Zepp, Director Training and Technical Assistance, JRSA
Jason Trask, Program Analyst, JRSA

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break

Centennial Ballroom Foyer, Ballroom Level

Noon

Conference Wrap-up